

Data Update: Massachusetts Survey of Health Insurance Status 2006

Survey results from the 2006 Massachusetts Survey of Health Insurance Status estimate that 372,000 Massachusetts residents of all ages were uninsured in 2006. Children under the age of 19 have maintained the highest level of coverage among all age groups. The uninsured rate of 2.5 percent for children is similar to earlier survey results. More uninsured adults were employed in 2006 than in 2004.

Massachusetts Uninsured Estimates by Age Group

	1998	2000	2002	2004	2006
0-18	4.5%	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	2.5%
19-64	10.4%	8.0%	9.2%	10.6%	8.7%
0-64	8.5%	6.5%	7.4%	8.3%	6.8%
All Ages	7.7%	5.9%	6.7%	7.4%	6.0%

Population Estimates. Rounded					
	1998	2000	2002	2004	2006
0-18	78,000	49,000	53,000	54,000	40,000
19-64	392,000	311,000	355,000	400,000	328,000
0-64	470,000	360,000	408,000	454,000	368,000
All Ages	475,000	365,000	418,000	460,000	372,000

Massachusetts Uninsured Estimates by Region, ages 0 through 64

	1998	2000	2002	2004	2006
Metro Boston	8.1%	5.6%	8.2%	7.8%	6.5%
Northeast	7.0%	7.0%	6.4%	9.7%	5.6%
Southeast	10.9%	8.2%	6.8%	8.9%	8.6%
Western	9.5%	5.8%	7.9%	7.8%	7.9%
Worcester	7.2%	6.6%	6.9%	7.0%	5.6%